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**William E. Smith**  
District Judge

Date of Birth: December 31, 1959  
Education: Georgetown 1982 BA, 1987 JD  
Began Service: December 9, 2002  
Appointed By: President George W. Bush

**Affiliation:** Adjunct Faculty Member, Bryant College

**Government:** Staff Director, U.S. Senator Lincoln D. Chafee (R-RI), United States Senate (2000-2001)

**Judicial:** Judge (part-time), Town of West Warwick, Rhode Island (1993-1998)

**Legal Practice:** Associate, Edwards & Angell, LLP (1987-1994); Partner, Edwards & Angell, LLP (1994-2000); Counsel, Edwards & Angel, LLP (2001-2002)

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**Ronald R. Lagueux**  
Senior Judge

Education: Bowdoin 1953 AB; Harvard 1956 LLB  
Began Service: September 4, 1986  
Appointed By: President Ronald Reagan  
Political Affiliation: Republican

**Government:** Executive Counsel, Governor John H. Chafee (RI), State of Rhode Island (1962-1965); Campaign Policy Advisor, John H. Chafee for Governor

**Judicial:** Associate Justice, Rhode Island Superior Court (1968-1986)

**Legal Practice:** Edwards & Angell (1956-1962)

**Current Memberships:** Rhode Island Bar Association

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**Jacob Hagopian**  
Senior Judge (recalled)

Date of Birth: 1927  
Education: George Washington 1957 AB;  
American U 1960 JD  
Began Service: 1971

**Academic:** Adjunct Faculty, University of Maryland, Berlin, Germany Center (1961-1963); Adjunct Professor, American University (1964-1970); Director, Law Center and Adjunct Faculty, Roger Williams College Law Center and Providence College (1970-1987); Adjunct Professor, Suffolk University Law School (1987-1988); Adjunct Faculty, United States Naval War College (1996-1998)

**Government:** Code Committee Member, Uniform Code of Military Justice (2000-2003)

**Judicial:** Appellate Judge, United States Court of Military Review, Court of Criminal Appeals (1968-1970)

**Military Service:** Airborne Infantry, 11th Airborne Division, United States Army, Enlisted Service (1945-1948); 82nd Airborne Division, United States Army (1948-1950); 501st Recon Group, Korea, United States Army (1953); Far East, Tokyo, Japan, United States Army Security Agency (1954-1957); United States Army Security Agency (1957-1960); Special Operations Unit, Berlin, Germany, United States Army Security Agency (1960-1961); Legal Advisor, Intelligence Community, Berlin, Germany, Judge Advocate General Corps, United States Army (1961-1963); Appellate Counsel and Group Supervisor, Defense Appellate Division, Office of the Judge Advocate Gen, United States Army (1964-1966); Deputy and Chief, Criminal Law Division, Office of the Judge Advocate General, United States Army (1966-1968); Colonel, United States Army, JAGC (1968-1970)

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**Ernest C. Torres**  
Senior Judge

Education: Dartmouth 1963 AB; Duke 1968 JD  
Began Service: 1988  
Appointed By: President Ronald Reagan

**Affiliation:** Member, American Bar Association; Member, Chambers of Member Ernest C. Torres, Judicial Conference of the United States

**Academic:** Assistant Vice President, Aetna Life and Casualty (1985-1986)

**Government:** President, Office of the Town Council, East Greenwich, Rhode Island (1972-1974); State Representative (RI), Rhode Island House of Representatives (1975-1980)

**Judicial:** Associate Justice, Rhode Island Superior Court (1980-1985); Chief Judge, United States District Court for the District of Rhode Island

**Chambers of Senior Judge Ernest C. Torres continued**

**Legal Practice:** Associate, Hinckley, Allen, Salisbury & Parsons, 1968; Partner, Saunders & Torres (1974-1980); Tillinghast, Collins & Graham (1986-1987)

**Current Memberships:** American Association of Justice; American Bar Association; Rhode Island Bar Association

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**David L. Martin**  
Magistrate Judge

Date of Birth: 1947  
Education: Virginia 1973 JD  
Began Service: September 29, 1998  
Term Expires: September 28, 2014

**Government:** Assistant Public Defender, State of Rhode Island (1974-1981)

**Legal Practice:** Private Practice (1981-1998)

**Military Service:** United States Army Reserve (1969-1971)

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**Lincoln D. Almond**  
Magistrate Judge

Began Service: September 2004

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**Robert W. Lovegreen**  
Magistrate Judge

Education: Brown 1960 AB; Virginia 1963 JD  
Began Service: March 1993

**Legal Practice:** Higgins & Slattery (1965-1966); Hinckley, Allen, Salisbury & Parsons (1966-1985); Gidley, Lovegreen & Sarli (1985-1993)

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